GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:388
ANSWERED ON:20.12.2005
ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR EXPORT INFRASTRUCTURE
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the budget allocated for assistance to States for development of Export Infrastructure and allied Activities (ASIDE) scheme during the last three years alongwith amount spent in each year;

(b) whether some State Governments have requested the Union Government for additional assistance under the scheme;

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reaction of the Government thereto, State-wise;

(d) whether the Government has evaluated the progress achieved by the States with regard to exports as a result of ASIDE, scheme; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) To (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 388 FOR ANSWER ON 20.12.2005 REGARDING `ASSISTANCE TO STATES FOR EXPORT INFRASTRUCTURE`.

(a): The details of funds released under the Assistance to States for Development of Export Infrastructure and Allied Activities (ASIDE) scheme and expenditure during the past three years are as follows:-

(In Rs. Crore)

Year	Amount Released	Expenditure#
2002-2003	325.46	129.71
2003-2004	349.84	284.66
2004-2005	424.88	330.04

(#The expenditure relates to funds released during earlier years also)

(b&c): Some States have sought additional assistance for specific projects under the Central Component of ASIDE. The important proposals received from different State Governments for such assistance and the action taken thereon by the Central Government are given in the Annexure.

(d&e): The Government had commissioned the Infrastructure Leasing & Financial Services Ltd. (IL&FS) to carry out a mid-term appraisal of the ASIDE Scheme. Though the study has concluded that most of the States have shown positive growth in their exports since the implementation of the ASIDE Scheme, no direct correlation has been established between the exports from different States and the expenditure in such States under ASIDE.

Annexure

Important proposals received from different State Governments and the action taken thereon by the Central Government

State	Description of Project	Project cost (Rs. In lakh)	Action taken on the proposal by the Central Government
Andhra Pradesh	Construction of a railway line from Obulavaripalli to Krishnapattanam (AISDE)	49000	The project was not approved (Rs. 8600 lakh as the ASIDE scheme was not sought from Port designed to meet the requirements of such a large infrastructure

	project.		
Jammu & Kashmir	Construction of two Common Effluent Treatment Plants for the leather industry at Lassipora and Samba	386 (Rs. 193 lakh sought from ASIDE)	The project was approved.
	Setting up of two SEZs at Ompora, and Kartholi	15348.96	The project was not approved.
	Construction of an International Trade Centre at Srinagar	2500	The project was approved in principle. A detailed project report has been sought from the State Government.
Kerala	Modernisation of three fisheries harbours at Puthiyappa, Beypore and Neendakara	1416	The project was approved with the proviso that one third funding would be provided under ASIDE.
	Setting up of an International Animation School at KINFRA Film and Video Park at Thiruvananthapuram	2057 (Rs. 1000 lakh sought from ASIDE)	The project was not approved.
	Establishment of Ornamental Fish Parks	300	The State Government is to submit a revised proposal in accordance with ASIDE guidelines.
Madhya Pradesh	Setting up of a Software Technology Park at Gwalior	2500	An amount of Rs. 1000 lakh has been sanctioned under ASIDE.
	Setting up a Convention and Trade Centre at Bhopal	3700	The State Government is to submit a detailed project report.
Maharashtra	Upgradation of road network connecting SEEPZ SEZ, Mumbai	264700 (Rs. 31000 lakh sought from ASIDE)	The project was not approved.
Rajasthan	Construction of approach road to Agro Food Park, Sriganganagar	242	The project was not approved.
	Developing a Rail link between Bhiwadi (Rajasthan)and Rewari (Haryana)	10500	Additional information has been sought on the proposed State Government contribution and private sector participation.
Sikkim	Construction of Border Trade Mart and other related infrastructure at Sherathang	530	The project was approved with the proviso that Rs. 280 lakh would be provided under the Central Component of ASIDE.
West Bengal	Development of Manikanchan SEZ Phase II	750	The project was not approved.

Development of infrastructure at the Land Customs Station, Petrapole	186.63	The project was approved.